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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of one month (from September 1, 2001, to October 1, 2001) within which to respond to the Office Action dated August 1, 2001. A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. If additional time is required, please consider this a conditional petition therefore. It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this Petition. If this is incorrect, however, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2312.

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A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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